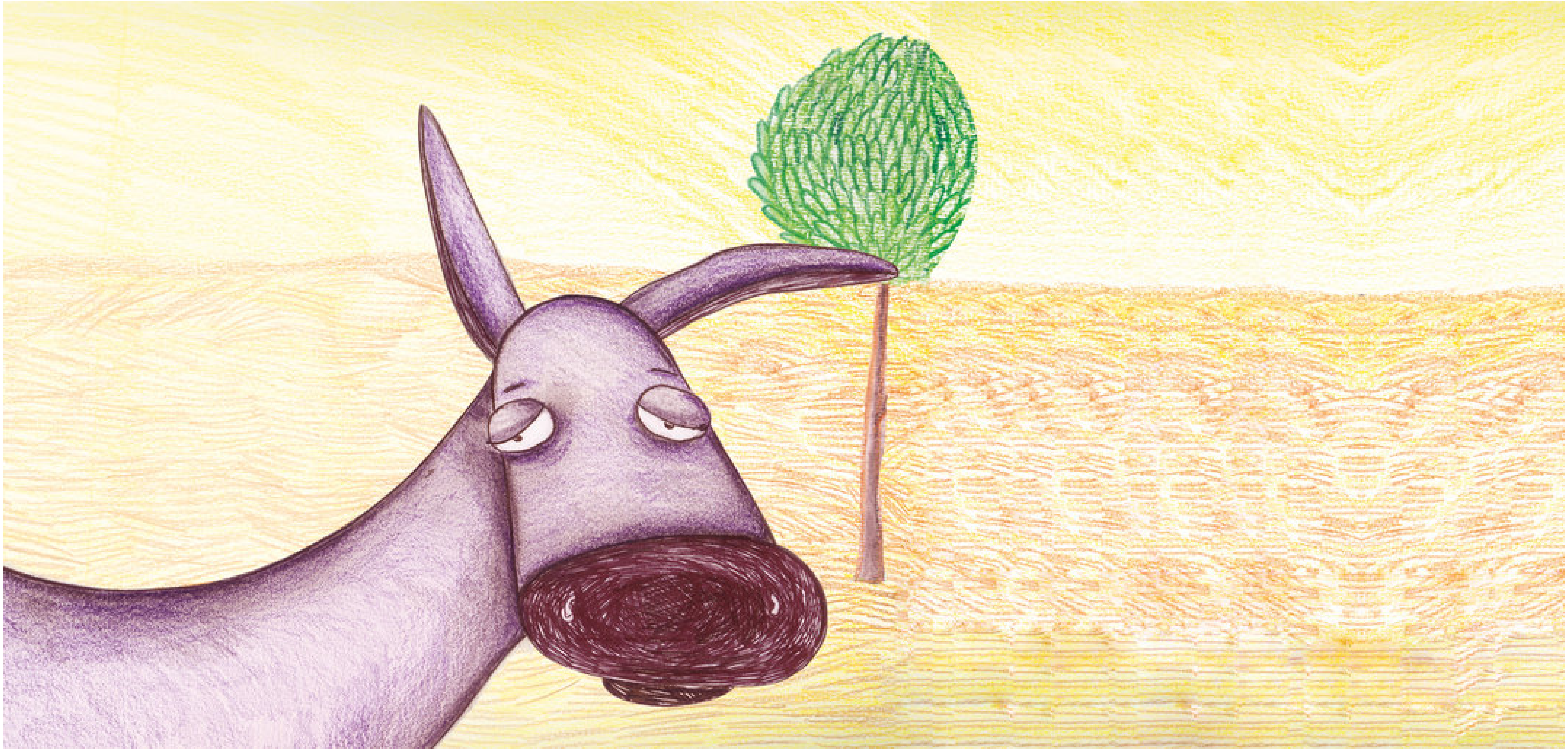


Bheema, the Sleepyhead

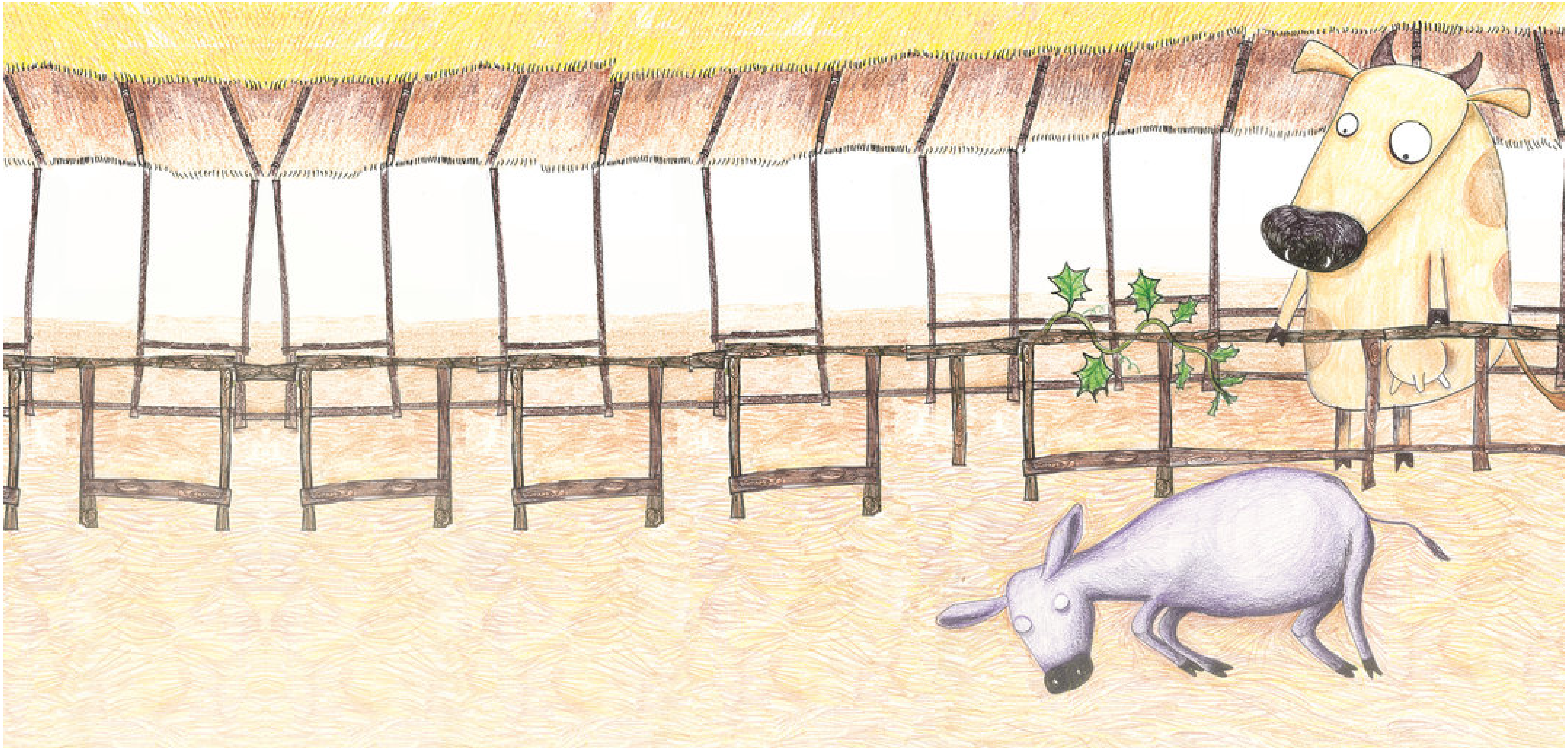
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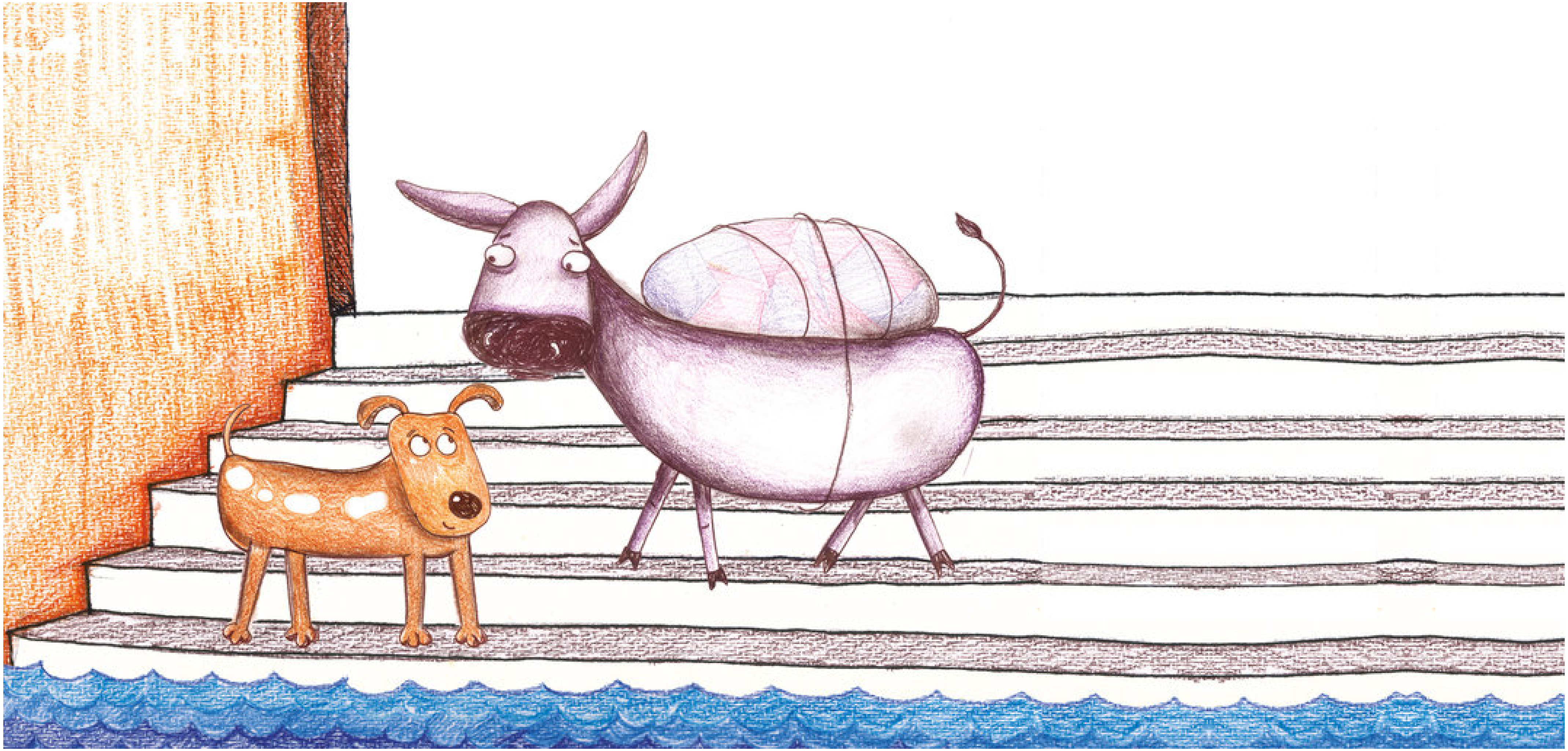
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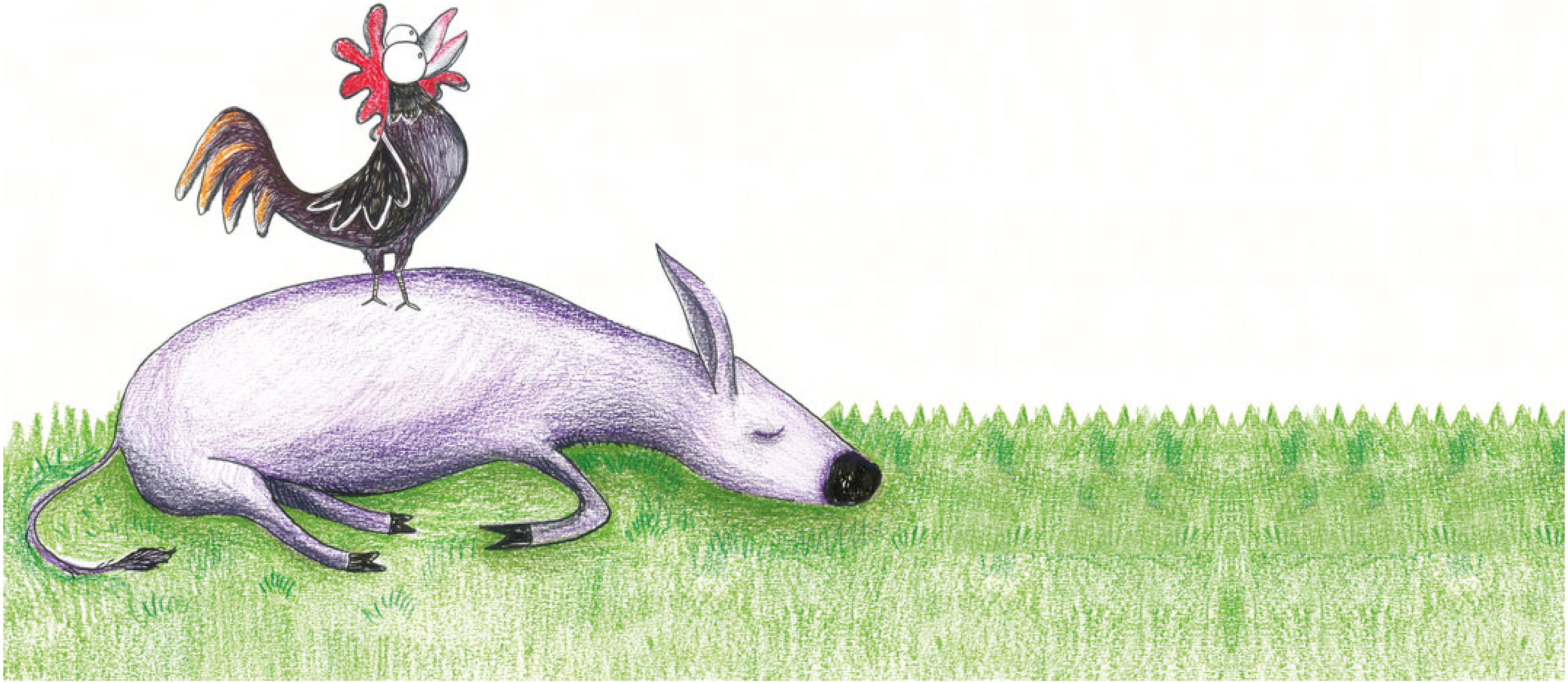
Bheema loves to sleep and just cannot get up early.
Ramu, the washerman, scolds Bheema often.



One day, Gauri, the cow, asked him, “Bheema, why are you so sad?”
Bheema said, “I cannot get up early and Ramu shouts at me every day. Will you wake me up every morning, please?”
“Yes, I will,” said Gauri. Early next morning, Gauri mooed loudly, but Bheema did not wake up.



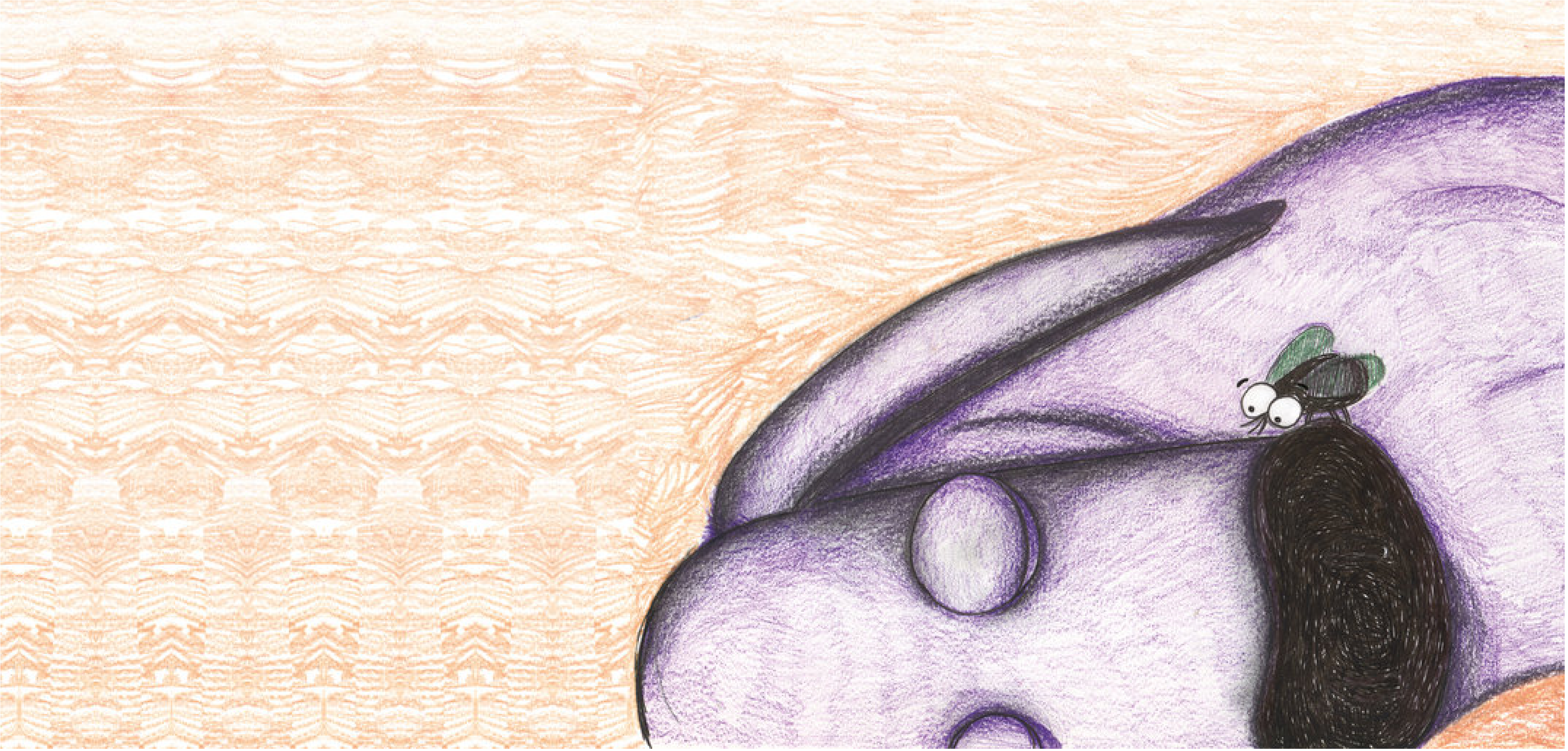
Coming back from the river in the evening, Bheema met Moti, the dog.
“I can never get up in the morning on time. Will you wake me up?” Bheema asked Moti.
“Yes, I will,” said Moti and the next morning he barked and barked but did Bheema wake up? No Sir!



That evening Bheema met Cheenu, the rooster.
He said to Cheenu, “You crow in the morning and everybody wakes up. Will you wake me up too?”
Cheenu agreed. The next morning, Cheenu crowed long and loud, but Bheema did not wake up.



The next evening, Bheema saw Kalu, the crow, cawing away happily.
“Kalu, will you wake me up in the morning, please?” he asked.
Kalu said, “Why not? I will caw and wake you up.”
The next morning Kalu cawed all he could but Bheema did not wake up.



Bheema was sad.
The next morning, a fly came and sat on his nose.

“Aaah…chhoooo… ahchhoo!” Bheema got up with a big sneeze.



“Wow! I woke up. How did I wake up?” he asked in wonder.
“I woke you up,” said the fly.“Will you wake me up like this early every morning?”
“Sure,” said the fly. Bheema was happy. Now he would have no problem getting up early every morning!

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Bheema, the Sleepyhead
(English)

Bheema has a problem that many of us have every morning. He just can't wake up on time! A little friend helps him. Would you like to find out how?

This is a Level 1 book for children who are eager to begin reading.